

SALEM RECREATION COMMISSION  
SALEM, CONNECTICUT  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 20, 2012

Present

Rich Cirillo  
Dave Kennedy  
Pam Henry  
Peter Lee  
Timothy Allen  
Sue Spang/Chairperson  
Diane Weston/Recording Secretary

Absent

Al Giansanti  
Bob Appleby  
Jim Burke

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairperson Sue Spang called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**1. MINUTES:**

**M/S/C (Kennedy/Henry) to approve the June 18, 2012 minutes as presented.**

**Vote: Approved Unanimous**

**2. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

None

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT/GUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**4. ADDITIONS & REVISIONS**

P. Henry will forward the words of holiday carols to D. Weston for printing booklets for the Tree Lighting Sing-A-Long.

Add 5. New Business e. Basketball

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Concession Stand Vandalism**

S. Spang informed the Commission the concession stand had been broken into twice. All product (except Peanut M&M's) had been stolen. After the first break in, the door was replaced with a flange installed.

The second break in, the flange had been removed, and the hard drive was stolen plus product. The door was repaired with a ¼ inch metal weld. The expense of the weld cost more than the replacement door.

Discussion took place about video cameras and recording system.

**b. Round Hill Road Green**

The overgrown area by the batting cages will be cleaned up of shrubs and some trees. Picnic tables have been placed under the tree.

New trash cans have been installed. It was noted an improvement with the trash situation after the Memorial Day field use by “War at the Shore”.

**c. Sign at Forsyth Road**

The sign for the playing fields on Forsyth Road has been paid for from the 2011/2012 budget and ordered.

**d. Recreation Clerk Report**

D. Weston reported summer programs went well.

The Yankee/Red Sox baseball trip went good.

A bus trip to Cooperstown will be this Saturday August 25; Day on Your Own or Spiderman NYC bus trip will be September 29; Boston craft fair will in November.

After school programs are being worked on.

Discussion took place concerning use of the school with renovations being planned.

**e. Basketball**

S. Spang discussed with the Commission that member T. Allen works for Norwich Recreation and is willing to work with Chris Pugliese to put together scrimmages and work outs for the Recreation basketball leagues.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Forsyth Road**

See c. Sign.

**b. Baseball**

D. Kennedy reported fall ball start in September. There is one minor team and two major teams. Advertising at the fields is being researched.

Roland Traylor has expressed interest to take over as Baseball Commissioner when Al Giansanti steps down.

S. Spang asked D. Kennedy to remind the baseball league any issues at the fields must go through the Recreation Commission; Public Works is notified through the Recreation Commission of any work that needs done at the fields.

c. **Soccer –**

P. Henry report the summer camp went well.

S. Spang inquired if the fields might be available for use by other groups. P. Henry will discuss the possibility with the soccer league.

d. **Basketball –** No report.

e. **Tennis –** No report.

f. **Multi-purpose Path –** No report.

## **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

S. Spang discussed with the Commission about replacing one piece of equipment a year (pending the budget) at the playground at Round Hill Road. She would like to see some of the equipment updated. It was the consensus of the Commission this should be done.

The new editor for the “Our Town” paper will be the librarian Jackie Hemond.

## **8. FUTURE ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Dodge Ball – P. Henry contacted Nik Alevras to see if he would attend the September 17 Recreation Commission meeting to discuss adult dodge ball.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

**M/S/C (Lee/Henry) to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. Vote: approved unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted by  
Diane Weston  
Recording Secretary